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SOUTH AFRICA'S LOYALTY.

ELECTIONS DELAY VISIT.

INVITATION TO BE RENEWED LATER.

(Reuter's General Service.)

CAPETOWN, April 8.
Speaking in the Assembly the Nationalist leader Mr. Hertzog said he hoped the announcement of the postponement of the Prince of Wales' visit was not equivalent to saying that the Prince would not come at all (cheers).
He hoped he was voicing the feeling of all sections when he said that if the Prince visited South Africa in the future he would be greeted with respect and warmth worthy of his high position and the South African people (cheers).
General Smuts, (the Premier), replying, said the Prince was assured of a very royal welcome from every shade of opinion. It was only the proprieties of the case that induced the Government to advise him to postpone his trip during the election turmoil. He hoped the invitation would be renewed when the elections were over.

SHIPYARD TROUBLE.

RECALCITRANT UNIONS SUSPENDED.

LOCK-OUT BALLOT PROCEEDING.

LONDON, April 8.
The shipbuilding unions have suspended the whole of the 1,200 members of the three recalcitrant branches at Southampton. Ballotting by the remainder is proceeding.
[The Shipbuilding employers have decided upon a national lock-out in shipyards affecting over 100,000 men as the striking engineers at Southampton have refused to resume work pending discussion with a view to settlement. The engineers at Southampton are demanding an increase of 17s. 6d. a week to bring them into line with London dock workers.]

ATHLETIC BURGLAR.

EXCITING SHANGHAI CHASE.

HONGKONG BANK INCIDENT.

A highly sensational drama was enacted in the vicinity of the Bund at an early hour, says the N. C. D. News just to hand, amplifying last week's brief cable reports. A Chinese burglar gained entrance to the premises of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, and being seen by the watchmen on duty, made a very hurried exit. He followed this up with a wild attempt at escape but before going very far was intercepted in his flight by the police.

The burglar selected his point of entry at a spot where he considered he would best escape observation. This was a window on the north side of the building where the wall of the Customs compound would assist him in eluding the notice of police and watchmen. Apparently he did his work rapidly, for before anybody was aware of what was happening he had cut a piece out of a pane of glass, inserted his arm and opened the window. The moment that he got foot in the banking hall, however, Nemesis awaited him. His information as to the possibilities of successfully robbing a bank seems to have been badly at fault, for he quite overlooked the fact that the bank in question is not only patrolled outside but watchmen and detectives are stationed in the interior.

INTO THE FOWLER'S NET.
No time elapsed between the burglar's entry into the bank and his presence being spotted by the guard. The latter were immediately on his track, and then ensued on the part of the intruder a desperate attempt to flee and an equally hot chase after him.

The burglar apparently knew the bank premises well, and instead of doubling back he made straight for the compound's department which lies to the rear of the banking hall. A door with glass panels barred his access to it, but the man either dived through one of the panes or had a hammer which enabled him to smash the glass and then pass through. He seems to have been a very athletic individual, for counters and desks were taken almost in his stride, and he reached the north wall of the bank. This is close to Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor & Co.'s premises and here a passage-way gives on to Poochow Road.
The fugitive repeated his previous performance with one of the windows here, dived through and was at length out in the open. What is more he had passed through the broken glass unscathed.
CHASE AND PURSUIT.
His pursuers were hurt on his heels, and now he had in addition

CALM AFTER THE STORM.

COMMONS QUIET AGAIN.

EVICIONS BILL COMPROMISE.

GOVERNMENT FATHERING LIBERAL MEASURE.

(Reuter's General Service.)

LONDON, April 8.
The House of Commons opened dully, benches being sparsely occupied. There was no sign of yesterday's dramatic events until, replying to Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Mr. MacDonald stated that the Government's Eviction Bill could not be re-introduced this session but that the Government thought it possible satisfactorily to amend the Liberal member Mr. E. D. Simons' Bill which reached its second reading last night and the passage of which the Government would facilitate after it had been satisfactorily amended.

The Government had not abandoned the proposal to make the assistance of unemployed a public charge but the "public funds" would be local funds.

LATER.

Mr. Simons' bill is almost identical with the Government's Eviction Bill except the clause on which the Government was defeated.

PROTECTING INDUSTRIES.

LONDON, April 8.

In the House of Commons in reply to questions, Mr. Sydney Webb, President of the Board of Trade stated that the Government had decided not to introduce legislation extending the duration of the provisions of part two of the Safeguarding of Industries Act providing duties to meet the case of depreciated currencies, which would accordingly lapse on August 10 (Liberal and Labour cheers).
The Government had carefully considered the report of the committee recommending a duty of 33 1/2 per cent on lace, embroidery and silk but did not propose to ask Parliament to impose the duties (Ministerial cheers).

FRESH REVOLT.

MORE TROUBLE FOR SOVIETS.

(Reuter's General Service.)

Riga, April 8.
It is reported from Moscow that a fresh revolt has broken out in Turkestan. The old revolutionaries are reinforced by well-armed forces, including 25,000 well-organised cavalry, also by artillery.

The insurgents are everywhere supported by the population. The Soviet Government is despatching considerable forces.

SINGAPORE QUERY.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Ottawa, April 8.
The former Premier, Mr. Meighan has given notice of a motion demanding all the correspondence between the British and Canadian Governments concerning the Singapore base.

THE STAR.

RUSSIAN BALLET DANCERS.

The Royal Russian Ballet engaged by the enterprising management of the Star Theatre took Kowloon by storm at their opening performance last night. Though the company took up only half of the programme, squeezing their effort in a thirty minute Ballet Revue, it was a crowded half hour and attractive from start to finish. Madam Linaova in solo dances, the Misses Lantsoff in Cosack dances, Miss Elton Tumour a graceful waltzer and Mr. Sergey Binoft, typical Russian performer, make up a combination which together with the Ballet Master are very well balanced and fully worth seeing. Besides the ten picturesque performance, the management offer Hoot Gibson's pictorial Comedy "Blinky", and consummate a enjoyable and diversified evening's entertainment.

The outside patrol of the bank to contend against. He bolted into Poochow Road and at top speed made his way westward along the street. A Sikh policeman, however, had caught sight of him and set off hard in pursuit, meanwhile blowing his whistle as loudly as possible.

The end now came. A Chinese constable on duty at the corner of Poochow and Seachuan Roads responded to the Sikh's whistle, intercepted the man's passage and between the two he was firmly collared. In his possession, it is understood, was found a long knife which he is said to have concealed in his sleeve. He was duly taken to the police station.

LEAGUE'S CHOICE.

Chinese Consortium Expert.

(Reuter's General Service.)

LONDON, April 9.
The League of Nations has appointed the Boston financial expert, Mr. J. Smith, to be Commissioner General for the financial reconstruction of Hungary.
Mr. Smith participated in the organisation of the Chinese Consortium.

ITALIAN POLITICS.

GOVERNMENT'S BIG MAJORITY.

(Reuter's General Service.)

Rome, April 9.
The new Chamber consists of the Government Party with 375 seats against 160 representing the eleven other parties.
The populars now numbering forty, have lost sixty-six seats and the Democratic Socialists, now twenty-five, have lost fifty-seven.

APPEAL FOR LIFE.

PROFESSORS' REPRIEVE SOUGHT.

(Reuter's General Service.)

Paris, April 9.
M. Poincare has telegraphed M. Chicherin, Soviet Foreign Minister, declaring French public opinion gravely fears that the professors implicated in the trial at Kieff will suffer the death penalty. Their loss will cause great sorrow and will be regarded as a diminution in the world's intellectual patrimony.
The French Government has asked the British and Italian Governments to make further appeals.

UNBURIED DEAD.

BESIEGED CITY'S TERRIBLE FLIGHT.

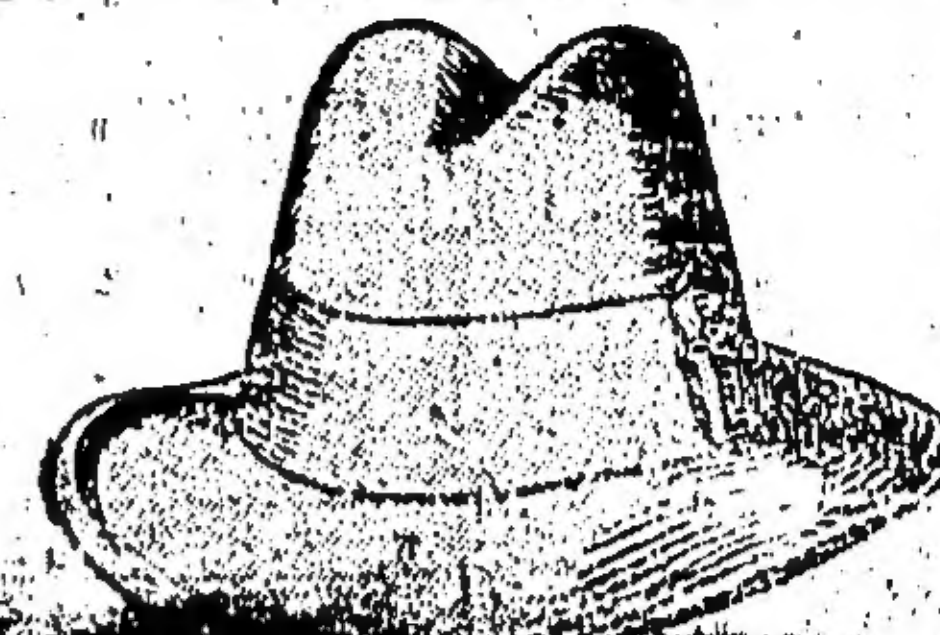
(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, April 8.
Advices received by the State Department depict a serious state of affairs in the capital of Honduras.

The ground at the outskirts of the city is strewn with dead. Typhoid and dysentery are raging. No attempt is being made to inter or cremate the dead.

The city is still besieged and there is considerable hand-to-hand fighting.

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Curtains, Carpets, etc.
2 Bed Room Suites, Chest of Drawers,
Screens, Single and Double Wardrobes
with Glass Doors, Card Tables, Glass
Ware, Pictures, etc.

Also
A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture
And
One Complete Nursery.
Catalogues will be issued.
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Hongkong, March 29, 1924.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs
on the 1st March 1924.

KEY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS
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HEREDITY IN MUSIC.

GREAT COMPOSERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Mr. William Wallace, lecturing recently at the Royal Institution on "the Couperin Dynasty," raised the question whether musical aptitude was hereditary or was due to environment and continuity of vocation. There was, he said, no case of a great composer, who had a great composer as his father or a great composer as his son. Galton had been advised by his "literary and artistic friend" when he chose as an example Mendelssohn, who ought by heredity to have been a banker, or Meyerbeer, who ought by heredity to have been an astronomer.

Galton had in fact failed to distinguish between musicians who were executants and those who were purely creative artists. In the case of a child brought up from the cradle amid musical surroundings, such as the environment existing in the homes of professional musicians, a child's musical disposition was unconsciously developing by imitation, and his disposition, when encouraged in favourable circumstances, would ultimately expand into definite musical ability. It was for this reason that among instrumentalists who were interpreters rather than creators there were to be found families in which the technical ability to perform on an instrument frequently occurred. On the other hand Berlioz, whose instrument was the guitar, and Wagner, who was a poor pianist, came of stocks quite unrelated to music. Wagner's "atmosphere," according to himself, was the theatre, and in the case of Berlioz, it was the physical atmosphere of chemicals and drugs in the house of his father, who was a country doctor.

A little patient and scientific investigation would show that the inheritance or transmission of creative musical ability was rare. In the parentage of men whose names were household words as creators of music were to be found in gamekeepers, magistrates, lawyers and doctors. Not one of them, however, passed his musical gift on to a descendant.

The Couperin Dynasty could not be said to negative this theory of environment, for in them the muscular control of the keyboard was the aspect of music that was the strongest. Couperin le Grand being the only member of the family who showed a disposition for composition. For 172 years, however, they presided in unbroken succession at the organ of St. Gervais in Paris, the church that was struck by a shell fired from a big Bertha on March 23, 1918.

CURIOUS THEORY.

WHICH LEG DO YOU CROSS?

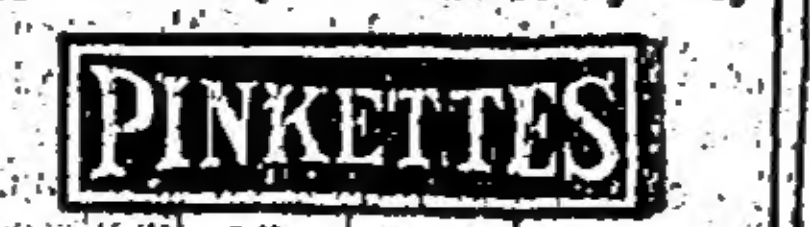
A student of humanity many years ago based his estimate of character upon what people did with their legs when they sat at ease, says a home paper. As a result of many observations, he arrived at the conclusion that the normal man invariably sat with his right leg over the left, while the normal woman has invariably crossed the left over the right. From this he deduced by some process of logic the theory that to sit with the left leg over the right was a mark of effeminacy.

A latter-day student tried to apply the theory the other day when travelling in a public conveyance containing a large number of passengers of both sexes. But humanity must have changed considerably—and for the worse—since the day of the original student of human legs, for even cross-legged man Jack—and woman Jill—had the leg over the right! The logical assumption, then, is that the only real men on that conveyance refrained from crossing their legs, and that every cross-legged man of them was effeminate—an "old woman," in fact.

It is sad to contemplate the probable fate of the race within a generation or so, unless the men can be trained when boys at school to cross their right legs over their left. But there is a gleam of hope. Perhaps the theory was formed on false premises. Logical deduction is such a tricky game. Is it not possible—to quote a well-known instance—to prove by logic that an eel-pie is a pigeon? In case readers are not familiar with the process, let us explain it. An eel-pie is a jack-pie (an eel being sometimes known as a "jack"); a jack-pie is a john-pie; then, by a simple reversal, a john-pie must be a pie-john (pigeon).

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 4th to the 10th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1924.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. has this day transferred its office to No. 11 Queen's Road Central (2nd Floor) (Entrance Ice House Street).

L. S. GREENHILL,
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E. V. JESSEN,
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Hongkong, 24th March, 1924.

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local secretaries of the Gula-
Kalumpong Rubber Estates Ltd.,
inform us that they have received
the following cable from the Lon-
don secretaries of the company:—

The annual general meeting will
be held on April 8, balance of pro-
fit and loss is £56,678.16.4. Divi-
dend will be 2s. per share on fully
paid shares and 6d. per share on
partly paid shares less income tax
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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND
NEAR.

A dozen flying boats have been
ordered by the Spanish Naval Air
Service from a Southampton firm.

The influenza epidemic is respon-
sible for the postponement of a
number of weddings arranged at
London register offices.

The 93rd small-pox case was noti-
fied at Chesterfield and the disease
is still prevalent on the borders of
Notts and Derbyshire.

Three railway employees were
killed and 10 passengers injured in a
collision at Avila Spain, which was
due to the heavy snowfall interfer-
ing with traffic control.

The strike of Liverpool water-
housemen was settled on the basis of
a weekly increase of 7s. 6d. for per-
manent men and 1s. 6d. per day for
casual workers.

Northampton Education Commis-
sioner budgeted for a rate of 11d., an
increase of 11d. over last year, the
rate being described as one of the
highest in the country.

Retains of the coal shortage in
Northampton, 34 beasts slaughtered
owing to foot-and-mouth disease
could not be burned, and are to be
buried for the present.

The finger I sit here the more I
find that when a man calls himself a
business man he does everything he
ought not to do.—Judge Parfitt at
Clerkenwell County Court.

Six horses were burned to death
in a corrugated iron stable at East-
ney, Post-smith. The noise of
their efforts to break out was mis-
taken for early morning rifle-prac-
tice.

Further outbreaks of foot-and-
mouth disease were reported at
Worship, Notts, and in North-
ants, where all meetings of the Grafton
Fox Hunt have been cancelled till
further notice.

Capt. R. Wringe, in command
successively of Sir Thomas Lipton's
"Shamrock I. and II.", the Ameri-
can yacht "Alisa," and Lord Sack-
ville's yacht "Sumurun," died at
Brighton sea, Essex.

The Co-operative Wholesale Soci-
ety will pay a dividend of 2d. in
the £ on the sales to members for
the past half-year. This is the first
time since 1920 that it has been able
to declare a dividend on purchases.

While attempting to close the
curtain door on a train as it was
leaving Redhill Station, Surrey, In-
specter Charles O'Malley was killed
by falling against the coach and
rolling on the line.

Civil Servants in Portugal have
resolved to attend at their offices as
usual, but to do no work until their
demands for increased salaries have
been met. The Government threat-
ens to replace all who refuse to work.

William Parry, 36, a dock labour-
er, was at East Ham Police Court
sent for trial on a charge of murder-
ing Edward Murphy, who was stab-
bed with a butcher's knife in a shop
at North Woolwich on February 13.

A fire occurred in the children's
schoolroom at Pyrford Court, Wok-
ing, Surrey, the residence of Vis-
count and Viscountess Eldon, and
was overcome by the Woking Fire
Brigade after about an hour.

John Henry Hill, the Notting-
ham mechanic into whose body a
pair of tongs 2ft. long were driven
by a power-driven hammer at
Messrs. Cammell, Laird, and Co.'s
works in making good progress to-
wards recovery.

The Mayor of Torquay has receiv-
ed a letter from Mrs. Ella Rowcroft,
of Plymouth, Torquay, offering £8,000
to purchase the site of a proposed
new hospital, in memory of her late
father and mother, on condition that
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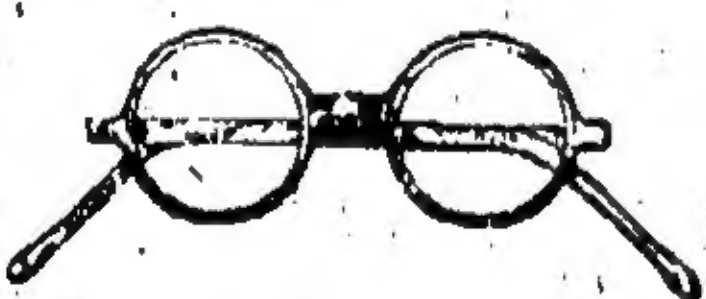
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MARRIAGE.

MARTIN-CAMACHO.—On April 4, 1924, at Shanghai, Mary Erwin, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Anthony Camacho of New York, to Arthur John, second son of Mr. T. P. Martin, of Muswell Hill, London.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1924.

THE JURY SYSTEM AND ITS DEFECTS.

Long before the Romans coined their proverb men had found that it was human to err. Centuries hence they will still be facing the same fact, for nothing in the world can ever eliminate the human error. The dulcet manual labourer and the keenest brain-

worker are alike its victims. Our Henry Fords can train their men until they have almost become Robots—that is at their work, outside which they are even more prone to err than people whose work keeps their brains active the whole day. Among newspaper reporters there is an axiom that never yet have two people agreed upon all the details of a motor accident, and there is a classical example showing how even the most alert minds can be deceived by the very plainest facts. During the war, it is related, a quarrel suddenly arose between two scientists at a meeting being held in Paris. The quarrel had been pre-arranged, and the president of the meeting under pretence of obtaining legal evidence asked everyone present to write an exact report of what had happened. The assembly was composed entirely of jurists, psychologists and doctors, but only one report contained less than 20 per cent. of errors, thirteen had more than 50 per cent. of errors and thirty-four had invented between 10 and 15 per

cent. of errors. When supposedly keen observers like scientists can be confounded by events happening under their very eyes, how much more likely are twelve men selected at random to go astray over incidents that they are not actually seeing for themselves but are merely hearing from the lips of others who are frequently labouring under strong emotions? There you have the fundamental defect of the jury system—the fundamental defect which, we think, renders undesirable the suggestion of a correspondent advanced in our columns yesterday. Pointing out that each member of the jury hears the facts as the case proceeds, our correspondent strongly deprecated any discussion among the jurors before reaching the verdict. He suggested that each man should write down his opinion—"guilty" or "not guilty"—and the folded slip should be handed to the foreman for him to read out in open court. This method, our correspondent urged, would secure a majority verdict based on the independent finding of each man. The plan has many good points since twelve men are unlikely all to fall into the same error and plausible oratory could find no outlet to sway the general decision; but there are several grave defects which would make its adoption a very doubtful expedient, quite apart from the fact that the existing system has been evolved through years of practical experience. Among any twelve men selected at random from a jury list it is inevitable that some should have keener intellects than others. Ability to sift evidence is given to the few, and jurors are notoriously timid in asking questions. Rather than interrupt the proceedings they will reserve until they reach the jury-room any points they cannot quite grasp. This is only natural—no man cares to risk making a fool of himself before a crowded court. Indeed there are men who would rather (though they do not always realise what their attitude means) hang someone first! The jury room discussion which our correspondent would sweep away enables these men to put their questions and receive their answers. Moreover it suggests to them angles that they had possibly overlooked, especially where the case is one in which facts are at issue and the judge can give little help in his summing-up. Room there may be to improve the jury system in certain respects—some would abolish it altogether—but it is not where our correspondent suggests. Human nature is still far too backward.

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Trifle Sense.
The Chinese are credited with having no traffic sense in that they do not appreciate keeping to the pavements and love to sprawl themselves across the road. An observation of any of our roads proves that this contention has a great deal of truth in it. Whether the lack of this sense is hereditary or is a local condition it is difficult to judge. We are almost inclined to say it is acquired. For one thing—and perhaps this is the chief reason—Hongkong side walks do not permit of comfortable use. In numbers of cases they do not appear to exist; in others their width is almost microscopic; whilst generally the roadway provides a better foothold. We recommend any Government official, especially one connected with our Public Works Department to walk on the pavement of such a thoroughfare as d'Aguilar Street, to prove our contention. For the European there may be no excuse; but early on the custom of a more or less free use of the roadway becomes a second nature. It is obviously more comfortable even if more dangerous. A habit acquired in Hongkong is not lost when one migrates to Kowloon and we can well understand the C.S.P.s. complaint regarding those who occupy the middle of roads in preference to sidewalks; although there is no excuse, for Kowloon's side walks are fairly numerous and broad. We can only urge the C.S.P.s. request to the notice of those concerned and trust that in future the road will be eschewed in favour of the sidewalk.

A Ferry Question.

We cannot remember if Mr. Robert Sutherland's Scheme for one wharf for all river steamers, included provision for the ferries which cross to various parts of the island and the mainland. It has occurred to us that either one wharf might be made available for all ferries, or more detailed information be made available for the European who may at odd times desire to visit one or other of the places available. It seems to be a waste of time for the ferry to Cheung Chau to be at one end of the Praya and that for Kowloon City to be at the other. That may be a small point and one that need not engage the attention of the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Our other point is that some spot should be available to acquaint those who may need the information, where they may find a ferry, where it goes and at what hour. The Post Office would appear to meet the case, and here changes in time of sailings, whenever made, could be noted. In the summer, many residents we feel sure, would probably like to make one or more of these trips and thus get acquainted with spots hitherto outside their ken.

Whether the frequent references in the China Mail to the question of offering a welcome to Rabin-drath Tagore have borne fruit or not is beside the point. It is satisfactory to note that someone at last has awakened to the fact that Dr. Tagore is worthy of recognition, and that our University authorities bestirred themselves somewhat. If Mr. Hornell had not known the distinguished passenger through we wonder if any effort would have been made. It is interesting by the way to note that the distinguishing "Sir" seems to have fallen into disuse and that Tagore is content with the easier sounding title of Doctor.

Our Tennis tournament reminds us of Suzanne Lenglen and the stories which circulate concerning her alleged bad temper. It is reported that Madame will not play at Wimbledon on account of the unfair treatment she alleges an English referee accorded her at Mentone. We shall see. Suzanne is not likely to add to her popularity by calling the English pigs. And this is regrettable, because, although we say it ourselves, an English crowd dearly loves a player who is first and last a sport and who, when the licking comes along, takes it in good part.

Different countries have their own way of indicating the foreigner and investing the word with a measure of meaning which is very often obnoxious. The Chinese equivalent of "Foreign devil" is tolerably well known. Whether it is meant to be as obnoxious as it undoubtedly was in the early days of its use, we do not know, but as devil is a fearsome person in the Chinese mind, another term might well be employed. The Australian uses "Pommie" to indicate either the English immigrant or the English visitor, or both. The Turks use the word "yabanji"—a wild man, and there are instances in the past to indicate that the Turk treated the stranger as such, unless the stranger was strong enough to resent this kind of treatment effectively. The Greeks designate all foreigners as "Caraboi." The American uses a variety of nicknames to indicate the stranger, and most of us are familiar with "dago" and the like. Perhaps there is a sense of homesickness about a nickname, but to indicate an Italian by the term "dago" is at once offensive and untrue. A step towards general peace might be the elimination of names to foreigners which are offensive.

It is good to read FRIENDSHIP. of the efforts of titled leisure people to bring a little sunshine, in their own way and according to their own lights, into the lives of those less fortunate. Miss Anne Kinnaird, the daughter of a Lord joins the Salvation Army and is not afraid to ashamed to wheel and turn the handle of a barrel organ during a self-denial week, and to go into the slums. The Marchioness of Townshend is engaged in another direction and has formed The United Family League, which stands to further the spirit of brotherhood and sisterhood throughout the nation. Her own words best explain the object of the League: "For years, I have been holding little family parties in Hampstead for my friends, the poor people, and very happy gatherings they have been. We all know each other and help each other, and I think that if such parties are a success in one area they should be all over the country. It seems such a tragedy that, while during the war all religions fought together and welcomed each other with the hand of friendship, immediately

the Armistice was sounded we all fell back into that regrettable state of being better than each other.

"It seemed to me that the great house of unity which we had built had been suddenly destroyed, and one day when pondering over this question I picked up the Bible and opened it in a portion of Kings where I noticed the phrase, 'Rebuild the house.' This recalled to my mind a play I wrote many years ago, and I felt that I had indeed a message, so I immediately set about my project, 'The United Family League,' the slogan of which is 'Rebuild the house.' We aim at creating friendship throughout the length and breadth of England, a spiritual friendship with only one creed—that of faith and service. We hope to foster the spirit of loyalty to the King and the British Empire and to strengthen the bond of union between its various parts, believing that under God our Empire is one of the mainstays of peace on earth for the furtherance of peace and good will.

"I am sure the glorious spirit of the war still exists, but it is scattered throughout the land. We hope to find a home for this spirit and to use it to the best advantage. I have had tremendous encouragement from everyone to whom I have mentioned the United Family League. There is hope for the titled classes when they are found engaged in such eminently desirable objects as this League seems to be.

THE REASON why boys run away from home has never been successfully reasoned. Often it is because of conditions at home; but in many cases boys run off from happy places simply to satisfy some craving which perhaps they cannot quite understand.

To-day's Poem.

(Fuji-San.)
Where fertile Kai out-stretches on one hand,
And on the other, broad Suruga-Land.
Out of their midst, beyond the ken of man,
Rises the glorious peak of Fuji-San.
The clouds themselves can hardly climb its height;
The birds but skirt its sides in soaring flight.
Its fire is quenched with ever-falling snow.
Its snows are melted by a quenchless flame;
I find no word to tell of it, no name
To call it by.
O peak of Fuji, in Suruga-Land,
Fuji-no-yama, I could stand
And gaze on thee forever and forever

—From the Japanese
(Seventh Century).
Translated by Curtis Hidden Page.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

APRIL 9.

1826. The plantations are getting all into green leaf, especially the larches, if there be a sort of hair as I returned there was, in the phraseology of that most precise of prigs in a white collarless coat and chapeau bas, Mister Commissioner—a rather dense insipidation of rain.—Dorothy Wordsworth.

WHY?

And why do they break a bottle of wine before the ship is launched? Why, for the same reason that Polyrateas threw his ring into the sea: to pay toll to Nemesis. We say to Nemesis: "I will give you this and you must be satisfied with it. Take my wine, but take no more from me." That is why the Jews, loyal to ancient usage, break a cup when they get married. And the broken bottle is but the trick of a child or a savage, the artifice of Man—poor, simple soul—endeavouring to hoodwink Fate.
—Pierre Noziere,
Anatole France.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

April 9.—Coronet Theatre: "Parted Curtains."
April 9.—Star Theatre, Kowloon: "The Royal Russian Ballet," also Hoot Gibson in "Blinky."
April 9.—World Theatre: "The Woman Who Fooled Herself."
April 10.—Sessions for a Lenten Mission by Rev. R. B. Schmidt, S.J., at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 6 p.m.

SOCIAL.

April 11.—Dance at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.
April 12.—Public Dinner to Sir William Rees Davies at Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m.
April 23.—Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.
April 26.—Dance at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

SPORT.

April 19 and 21.—H.K. Jockey Club 2nd extra race meetings.
April 11.—Lammert Bros. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, Ladies' Suit Lengths, 11 a.m.
April 14.—Lammert Bros. at "Lauron Villas," 11 Chatham Rd., Kowloon, household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

April 16.—Lammert Bros. at 6 Catchick St., Kennedy Town, two complete sets rattan and cane splitting machinery, etc., 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.
April 10.—Second yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., at St. George's Building, Chater Road, noon.

April 11.—Seventeenth annual meeting of Gaudet, Price & Co., Ltd., at 8 Queen's Road Central, noon.

OTHER MEETINGS.
April 11.—All interested in proposal to form a Hongkong Forfarshire Assn. to meet at No. 2 Queen's Buildings, Ground Floor, opposite Star Ferry at 8 p.m.
April 14.—Annual meeting of the Society of St. George in the City Hall, 5.15 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Internal injuries were sustained by an 18-year old Chinese boy who jumped off a moving tram at Causeway Bay Road yesterday.

The Prince Regent, says a Tokyo message to the *Daily Bulletin* yesterday morning, granted an audience to Chang Chien, inn., and the other members of the Chinese Mission.

From the second floor of No. 4, Percival Street, Ping Ya, a house-boy, fourteen years of age, fell into the street below. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital where he died from his injuries this morning.

Gaining access through the roof trap-door, burglars entered the second floor of No. 14, Bonham Strand West, occupied by a firm of sugar dealers, and stole \$343.25 in money, jewellery and clothing.

A letter from Major-General Sir John Fowler K.C.M.G., Commanding H. M. Forces in China, informs the Shanghai Municipal Council that he will be able to conduct the Annual Inspection of the Corps from May 21 to May 23 inclusive.

The H.M.S. "Ambrose" Social Club held a successful carnival dance at the R. N. Canteen Theatre last Friday and to meet the popular demand for more have arranged a Cinderella Dance for Friday, April 11. Prizes for the Spot Waltz competition were won by Miss Weeding and Mr. Guard. The Black Cat band supplied the music.

The *China Mail* has been authoritatively informed that a complete set of newly made brass keys fitting all the grille locks of s.s. "Tai Lee" were discovered yesterday on a foki in the employ of the comrade of that ship. Owing to the frequent changes of officers it is impossible to prosecute, but the discovery of these keys furnishes an illuminating example of the uselessness of any form of control when such things are allowed to happen. The ship will not be allowed to sail until all the locks have been replaced.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A Reuter cable from Bucharest states that Prince Naruhiko Higashi-kuni has departed for Paris.

Governor Dirk Fock, from Java, who was entertained by Governor-General Wood yesterday, is, according to a Manila message to the *Daily Bulletin*, touring the Philippine Islands in return for Governor-General Wood's recent visit to Java.

Lady Stubbs, who on returning to Shanghai from her recent visit to Peking was found to be suffering from an attack of influenza, came back to the Colony yesterday by the "Haruma Maru." Her many friends will be glad to know that she has now almost completely recovered.

A very quiet but pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, Father Macdonald officiating, when Miss Mary Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Anthony Camacho of New York, became the bride of Mr. Arthur John Martin, second son of Mr. T. P. Martin of Muswell Hill, London. The bridegroom is the Senior British Assessor of the Mixed Court and a member of the Consular Service.

OUR SOCIAL EVIL.

THOSE RECENT COMMONS QUESTIONS.

INTERESTING COMMENT.

The telegram from London about the Hongkong brothels, published recently has drawn some interesting comment from the "Japan Chronicle." The "Chronicle" observes that the telegram is liable to be misunderstood. Mr. Thomas's explanation that the system, while in a measure under the Government control, was regulated for "purely protective" purposes was greeted with cries of "Oh." It is true that the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines' Protection Society, whose inquiries of a year ago doubtless formed the basis of the question asked by a Labour member of the House of Commons, considers the system practised "disgraceful to a British colony." But it is virtue itself compared with the exaction of public revenue from vice, as in Japan and other places. A Hongkong official passes a girl for the trade after trying to ascertain that she is not forced into it and that she is not too young. Then he gives her a card, with the following sentences in Chinese: "The British Government has for its main object the love of the people. You prostitutes: Your persons are your own. You can come or go away at liberty. If any extortion or oppression is imposed on you, you can report it to the authorities, and you will get your wrongs redressed." This information was sent to Lord Henry Bentinck, chairman of the Anti-Slavery Society, last September along with further explanations from the Governor of Hongkong, who commented as follows, according to a letter from the Colonial Office:—

Generally speaking, the Hongkong method is based on a recognition of the impossibility of stamping out prostitution, and on the theory that, while completely unregulated prostitution would have the worst effects, Government control should be reduced to the smallest possible limit. Such control takes the line of prevention of actual crime: of enforcing responsibilities (on those in charge of prostitutes): of securing freedom of action to those who are allowed to practice prostitution; and of seeing that those who are for any reason considered unfit (e.g., too young) shall not practise. There is the smallest possible interference with those who are supposed to know their own minds and whose prostitution does not involve others; and Government "regulation" becomes merely a broad supervision against abuse. It is the opinion of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs that the records of his Office and of the Police Office show that the system is not unsuccessful, and that a comparison between the streets of Hongkong at night time and those of almost any city at home would be all in favour of the Colony. The Colony's reputation in China also stands high; the Hongkong "customs are good" is a phrase constantly heard, not from the prostitutes only (when it means that their freedom is assured and that they are accorded consideration in any trouble) but also from responsible Chinese, who speak with a knowledge of the conditions elsewhere and a realisation of the necessity for keeping up the standard of Chinese family life.

Prostitution, wherever it exists, is ugly and has some taint of slavery. Even where absolute suppression is nominally practised it is only half-hearted, and one may doubt whether the evil is less in London than in Hongkong. However, official sanction, even without the infinitely worse thing—official gain from the girls' shame—gives the business a standing it would not otherwise possess.

MAGISTRATE PUZZLED.

COMPLICATED HOUSING LAWS.

"I have never discovered where the Sanitary Department ends and where the Building Authority begins," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton during the hearing of some departmental summonses at the Police Court this morning.
Opening his defence, Mr. C.A.S. Russ quoted from a copy of the Ordinance and said that in this case the Sanitary authorities had no more right to send out notices than he had.
This drew the remark from Mr. E. W. Hamilton, after which the hearing was adjourned till next week.
[It is interesting to note that Mr. Hamilton has been previously attached to the Sanitary Department. If we remember rightly, he acted as outdoor head of the department.—Ed. China Mail.]

"HEUNGSHAN" INQUIRY.

NO LIGHT ON JUNK ROCK STATES PILOT.

RIVER BOAT BEACHING SEQUEL.

No light on Junk Rock was stated by the No. 1 Chinese pilot to have been the cause of the accident which resulted in the beaching of the s.s. "Heungshan" on February 29, at the Board of Trade Inquiry opened at the Harbour Office this morning.

Members of the Court were Lieut. Commander Conway Hake R.N.R., (President) Lt.-Com. F.J.H. Dawson R.N., (H.M.S. "Moorhen") Mr. W. Davison (Marine Superintendent C.P.S.), Capt. P. Goings of the s.s. "Charles Hardouin," and Capt. J. H. Woolcott of the s.s. "Paul Beau."

Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton appeared for the China Coast Officers Guild and Captain Dawson of the "Heungshan"; Mr. D. H. Blake represented the Navigators and General Insurance Co., and the Chief Officer, and Mr. Eldon Potter appeared for the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., original owners of the "Heungshan."

Before the preliminary evidence was called, the President of the Court read a letter from Capt. Thomas which contained his request to hold an inquiry.

THE PILOT'S VERSION.

The first witness called was the No. 1 pilot on the "Heungshan" who said that he passed his examination in March this year.

Describing in detail the progress of the vessel up the Canton River, the pilot went on to say that they came across no fog until they had passed Tiger Island at 3.08 a.m., and from there they started using the fog signal. Before reaching Blake Point the Captain told him that if they could not see the Blake Point lights, they had better anchor as the fog was too thick. They passed the light, however, at 3.25 a.m. at slow speed; sometimes it was clear and sometimes it was foggy, continued the witness.

The pilot continued after describing the various points they passed that at Tai Shat-tao, he told the Captain that if he wanted to anchor, it would be better there as there was no current and the place was safe from pirates. Here, said the witness, his usual course was S. W. by S. W. S. but he altered the course to S. W. 4 S. His reason for altering the course, explained the pilot to Mr. Hall Bruton, was that while he was awaiting the captain's answer regarding his suggestion to anchor, it was time for the ship's course to be altered. Then the Chief Officer shouted out there were three sampans ahead and after steering clear of these, he heard the Chief Officer shout there were more sampans. The Master gave the order to starboard the helm and witness told the quarter master "to port."

Asked why he gave this order, which countermanded the Captain's order the pilot said they always passed the north side of the buoy. He gave the order to port at the moment the Chief Officer shouted out "the buoy." The ship struck and the Captain gave the order to stop the engines. Immediately afterwards, he heard the Chief Officer tell the Captain that he was going to find the carpenter and inspect the leakage. The ship took a list and the Captain said the vessel had better be beached. The orders "go slow ahead" and "hard a port" were given and just as the ship was astern the order was given to go "hard astern" in order to prevent the ship from going "dead on."

Witness said that there was no light on Junk Rock; he did not see one at any time that night, neither were there lights on the sampans they passed.

Mr. Potter:—Was it customary on the "Heungshan" for you to give orders?—Yes.

Without consulting the officer on the bridge?—If the Captain is on the bridge I consult him, but not the Chief Officer.

Even to the extent of countermanding the Captain's orders?—Yes.

Then you say that if the Captain gives the order to starboard and you order "to port" it is up to the quartermaster to do as he pleases?—Yes.

Can you tell me what was the cause of the accident?—Firstly, the rock did not show a light.

From the time they reached Tai Shat-tao, to the time of the accident they could not see above 100 yards ahead said the pilot. The only reason the "Heungshan" had the rock on her starboard side was because she was on her wrong course.

The quartermaster, of the "Heungshan" who was next called to give evidence said that his experience extended only three months on that vessel. Just before the accident, he received the order to "starboard the helm" from the Captain and the order to "port the helm" from the pilot. He obeyed the Captain's order. (Case proceeding.)

BOUND FOR AMERICA.

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE MISSION.

ARRIVAL AT HONGKONG.

Mission to Washington Arrives at Hongkong.

To secure fulfilment of the promise of independence for the Philippines made by the United States Government, a Philippine Mission headed by Senator M. L. Quezon has set out for Washington and yesterday arrived at Hongkong. Besides Senator



Manuel Quezon

Quezon who is President of the Philippine Senate the Mission includes Hon. Sergio Osmena, Senator from Cebu, and Hon. Claro M. Recto, representative from Batangas, Members, and Mr. Francisco Zamora, Secretary. With the Mission is Sr. Pulamu Rasul, son of Senator Hadji Butu, a young American educated Mohammedan Filipino, who is highly popular among his people throughout Mindanao and Sulu.

According to a Reuter cable, the Conservatives in Congress are working out a proposal which may be submitted to the President soon, placing the Philippines under a condition similar to Cuba, which under the Platt Amendment grants the United States intervention rights. If the President regards it favourably, the Bill will be introduced as soon as possible.

Reports that sugar interests are withdrawing from the Philippines, fearing the result of a plebiscite, are denied.

At the present time the sugar interests, both in the United States and in the Philippines, play a big part in the political field, and their retirement would, it is believed in some quarters, be rather beneficial to the Filipinos than otherwise, as it would relieve the government from that undue pressure now brought to bear upon it. It is pointed out that America has vast investments in China and other places where the American flag does not fly, and where American institutions are not as deeply rooted as in the Philippines, but such investments are properly protected by the real and effective power of the United States without the need of American occupation.

Senator Quezon and his party are travelling by the s.s. "President Jackson" which is due to leave for Shanghai to-morrow morning.

BILLIARDS TOURNEY.

SEMI-FINALS DECIDED.

At the V.R. C. last night, the second semi-final in the local billiards open championship was decided. P. Yvanovich met and defeated K. K. Leung in a game of 1,000 up by 142 points. The winner, who is a former champion, was behind at the interval but taking advantage of Leung not being able to get going, he took the lead and maintained it to the end. Towards the end Leung improved but could not make up the leeway.

Highest breaks were:—Yvanovich 51, 44, 38 (2), 31 (2), 26, 24, 22 (2).

Leung 45, 42 (2), 38, 28, 26, 24, 23, 22 (2), 20.

R. F. Luz is in the top bracket of the final having defeated S. C. Kwok who had made the highest break to date (75). Luz and Yvanovich will therefore meet in the final.

HOME FOOTBALL.

FIRST LEAGUE RESULTS.

LONDON, April 7.
Results in the First League to-day were:—

Cardiff 2, Tottenham 1.
Sheffield United 3, Notts County

INTERVIEWS REFUSED.

DR. TAGORE HOLDS HIMSELF ALOOF.

LOCAL PRESSMEN REFUSED.

Dr. Tagore, Indian poet and litterateur, has refused flatly to be interviewed by members of the Press. When a *China Mail* representative made his second excursion to the "Atsuta Maru" lying in Kowloon Dock yesterday afternoon in response to a cryptic message to the effect that Dr. Tagore could be interviewed at 3 p.m., he found Dr. Tagore, but was refused even a minute's conversation. The distinguished Indian poet's secretary explained that Dr. Tagore had been so often misrepresented in his views by the Press that he had decided to grant no interviews in future.

When the *China Mail* representative pleaded for "just half an hour" the Indian followers, friends and admirers, surrounding the poet outside his cabin were agitated. Two minutes they said was the most. But even two minutes was denied. The secretary volunteered to give any information that might be wanted, but it was the personality of the famous writer the Press men desired to gain a glimpse of, to enable the public to have some impressions of an Indian whose eminence is undisputed.

Dr. Tagore left by the s.s. "Atsuta Maru" this morning for Shanghai, from where he will proceed to Peking on the invitation of the National University. It is possible that Dr. Tagore will return to Hongkong after a visit to Japan, and give a series of lectures.

The Poet's Companions.

Dr. Tagore is accompanied by the following:—

K. M. Sen, professor of Sanskrit and pundit at Vishwa Bahini.
N. J. Bosh, head of the Art department at the University.

K. Neg, on the staff of the Calcutta University, a member of Vishwa Bahini, and travelling as representative of the Calcutta University.

Maharat Kumerov, of Jambui, a native state in Kathiawar.

Miss Green, who is in charge of the dispensary in the Rural Reconstruction Department of the University. She treated about 8,000 village cases during last year.

Prof. L. K. Elmhirst, director of the Institute of Rural Reconstruction at the University.

Dr. Tagore's Message.

Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, replying to the address presented to him at the Jubilee Hall, Hongkong, on March 24, said he wished he had the means in his power to address them adequately for the honour they had done him that evening. Unfortunately for him the language in which he had to express his feelings of gratitude was not his own. However, he had obtained some reputation for the mastery of it and he would endeavour to drain his poorly equipped mind to reply to the address of welcome. He however felt very humble as he did not deserve such honour.

He had often thought that possibly people had made a mistake and did not know his limitations and thought he was a Saint or Prophet or someone belonging to a very superior race of humanity; he was nothing of the kind. He was not a politician or a general, he was a mere poet and if he might say so he was a lover of men and had come to claim love from them. He believed that honour was for the dead and love for the living. He wished this was not a flying visit, he wished he had time to stay on in this land and come to know the people intimately and talk to them through his heart in something which they would appreciate. In the present day of speedy locomotion the temptation for a man was to rush through space. He was also following that course, he was simply rushing through this beautiful land and had not the opportunity of really knowing the people belonging to the country, because if he did he could prove his real worth, which was that of a poet who wished to delight the hearts of all men. What he wished they had done, instead of putting him on the platform was to have asked him to sit amongst them. Every country, he said, produced something which belonged to the whole world; it was not military power, nor political strength, but some of the great ideals which come from the heights of consciousness of the people and which were always illuminating. They all knew what had happened in a great way in their country when messengers from India crossed deserts, insurmountable hills and went into distant parts of the world and took something to these people, which truly belonged to all people, which was the common inheritance of humanity, some ideal from the heart of India. It was on this ideal of ideals that they could build a relationship between countries which would last for ever. Countries which could only boast of wealth and power were read and dark.

He stood for universal brotherhood and was not in any way swayed by the cries of Brande Materiam. His message was "Let India live in the hearts of all men." (Applause.) If it was his good fortune to have in his poems brought out the spirit and succeeded in establishing it in the hearts of all men.

EXILE KING.

STRONG PROTEST AGAINST DEPOSITION.

(Reuter's General Service.)

Bucharest, April 8.
In an impassioned despatch to the Greek people, the exiled King George demands to be restored to the monarchy.



King George of Greece

He declares that the violent suppression of the principles on which the State is founded impels him to protest against the iniquity committed against the nation and demand the free exercise of the rights and duties of royalty as laid down in the constitution.

RADIO FOR HONGKONG.

WHY WE CAN'T HAVE IT.

HOME AUTHORITIES' BAN.

Yesterday the "China Mail" published an interview with Dr. F. H. Kew, founder of the Radio Communication Company, who complained that an ambitious scheme of radio communication planned for Hongkong had had to be abandoned by his concern because of the discouraging attitude of the Hongkong Government.

Questioned regarding this today the Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Sir Claud Severn) referred a reporter to Mr. L. H. King, who had, he said, come out from Home recently to act as adviser to the Hongkong Government regarding wireless and electrical matters generally and knew all about it.

Mr. King, when interviewed on the subject, was not disposed to treat Dr. Kew's complaint very seriously. "It has already been announced at least half a dozen times," he pointed out, "that no broadcasting can be allowed until the Imperial authorities' ban on it is lifted. As soon as that is done you won't see me for dust."

An esteemed member of the Danish community at Shanghai, Mr. Adolf C. Z. Frisenette, died on Friday in the Isolation Hospital, the cause of death being spinal meningitis. The deceased, who was 45 years of age, joined the Great Northern Telegraph Co. in Denmark 25 years ago and arrived in China in 1901, remaining on the Shanghai station for the greater part of his service. He was a very popular member of the staff and had many friends among the foreign community, particularly as a member of the Shanghai Club.

He would feel deeply grateful and if that happened he was blessed. He did not like to boast and he asked them not to boast of his invitation to go to China. He did not feel at all excited at this invitation; he was not certain whether they would accept him or reject him; it did not matter, he had a mission to fulfil. He feared that the people in China were obsessed by political success as his own country and they might not listen to the voice which came from the glorious past of India. He was going there because he felt that it was his mission. He asked that the spirit of comradeship should prevail although they were divided by other countries by space and racial distinctions. In this connection the speaker referred to the institution he had founded to which he had invited the whole world. He said he was trying to give material shape to this message of comradeship and he claimed their sympathy and co-operation. He hoped before he died to have fulfilled his mission and thus save his country from the doom of obscurity. (Applause.)

MOTOR BUS DEATHS.

DRIVERS CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

Charges of manslaughter have been preferred against the two motor-bus drivers who are alleged to have driven the buses which collided at the bridge in the Ping Shan district on Sunday afternoon when a boy-scout and others were killed. They appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell and were remanded.

Two other bus drivers who are accused of having been on bus No. 1,206 when it ran off the road and turned over at Tsun Wan on Sunday morning also appeared before the Magistrate. They were both charged with failing to report an accident. One had an additional charge of making away with \$2.10 of his employers' money and the other was accused of driving the bus without the owners' permission.

The charges are being taken together and the case was remanded till Friday, bail being allowed in the sum of \$500 each.

INJURED MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.

Inquiry at the Kwong Wah Hospital this afternoon brought a statement from Dr. Ip that both the woman and the boy who were admitted to the Hospital on Sunday afternoon in a dangerous condition have made remarkable progress towards recovery. The patients who were admitted for minor injuries are also improving.

UNTIMELY LAUGH.

When Pedro Rose and Ramon Eharc, Filipinos, stepped into Mr. R. E. Lindsell's Court at the Magistracy this morning to face charges of stowing away on the "President Lincoln" from Manila they were reprimanded by His Worship who told them not to laugh as the Court was not a theatre.

Defendants who stated that they wanted to go to San Francisco were each sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment.

SHOULD BE HAUNTED.

SON WHO DUMPED MOTHER'S BODY.

That the spirit would haunt him was the hope Mr. R. E. Lindsell expressed this morning to a prisoner who was convicted of dumping the dead body of his mother.

Defendant was prosecuted by Sergeant James of Aberdeen Station for dumping the body and failing to report the death. Arrest was effected on the evidence of a man who was supposed to have helped the prisoner and the fact that two ropes were attached to the body.

He was taking his mother to Aberdeen, said defendant, when she became seriously ill. He then decided to take her back but she died on the Deep Water Bay Road. As he had no clansman to help him he had to leave the body there.

His Worship told defendant that he was a bad son and fined him \$40 and \$20 respectively, on the two charges.

Capetown, April 8.—The Government, it is now announced, decided upon dissolution immediately, and an election in June.—Reuter.

New York, April 8.—In the adjourned games, Doctor Lasker, Maroczy and Yates beat Janowski, and Edward Lasker, beat Janowski.—Reuter.

New York, April 8.—The Americans murdered in Albania are Mr. Robert Louis Coleman, of San Francisco, and Mr. George B. de Long, of New York, a son of the late Senator de Long.—Reuter's American Service.

Some of our older readers, says the *China Express*, will remember when Sir John Pope-Hennessy was Governor of Hongkong, and his little boy. That boy is now Colonel Pope-Hennessy, D.S.O., who has been chosen as the head of the British part of the Allied Mission which is now to resume the supervision of German disarmament. The son of Sir John, who in his day was also a figure of note in Irish politics, has been an Army man all his life. In East Africa and Somaliland he served under "Johnny" Gough. He is very level-headed, and has the double advantage of knowing Germany and the German, and of hitting it off with his French and Belgian colleagues. His interests stretch far beyond soldiering, though he often writes for the reviews on military subjects. The pursuit of Chinese pottery is his chief hobby, and he is one of the very few men who set themselves, when over forty, to master the Chinese language. His wife, Dame Una, is a brilliant writer and a real authority on the politics and personalities of the French Revolution.

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"LAHORE"	5,262	16th Apr.	Singapore and Bombay
"PADUA"	5,907	17th Apr.	Singapore and Bombay
"NELORE"	6,853	17th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"OENNA"	7,852	18th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"ROUDAN"	6,686	28th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,119	3rd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MIRZAPUR"	9,715	7th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"PLASSY"	7,426	17th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	6,896	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SIOLIA"	6,813	14th May	Singapore, Penang, Calcutta & B'way
"KASHGAR"	6,967	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	6,840	14th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	6,689	23rd June	Singapore, Penang, Calcutta & B'way
"KARMALA"	10,911	28th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SIOLIA"	6,813	28th July	Singapore, Penang, Calcutta & B'way
"MALWA"	10,941	28th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DEVANHA"	8,092	28th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"REYBER"	9,014	6th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR-HIND"	11,420	20th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,863	4th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,941	18th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	8,840	1st Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"TORILLA"	5,205	10th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,090	12th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"JAPAN"	6,032	19th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TANDA"	8,948	6th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAKADA"	8,948	23rd May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,509	30th Apr.	Manila, Sardinia, Thursday
"EASTERN"	4,000	28th May	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	2nd July	

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"HOWRA"		9th Apr.	Amoy.
"GUGRA"	5,181	at 5 p.m.	Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,985	10th Apr.	Moji and Kobe.
"KASSY"	7,426	18th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"FLAVY"	9,087	2nd May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	3rd May	Moji and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	8,948	13th May	Moji and Kobe.
"SIOLIA"	6,813	13th May	Shanghai
"KASHGAR"	6,967	18th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TORILLA"	5,205	20th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	30th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th June	Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	6,840	11th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	10,941	18th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	4,500	6th July	Moji & Kobe.
"SIOLIA"	6,813	10th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	15th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"REYBER"	9,014	28th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR-HIND"	11,420	28th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,863	6th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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	Ota.	Ota.	Ota.
Beef Strick, - Mei Lung Pa ... lb.	30	24	12
" Prime Cut	30	24	12
" Corned, - Ham Ngan Yek ... lb.	30	24	12
" Roast, - Shiu	30	24	12
" Breast, - Ngan Nam	30	20	18
" Soup, - Tong Yek	30	20	18
" Steak, - Ngan Yek Pa	30	24	12
" Steak Strick, - Ngan Lam ... lb.	30	30	36
" Sausages, - Ngan Cheung ... lb.	30	36	30
Salcock's Brains, - Ngan No per set	10	10	10
Tongue, fresh, - Ngan Li each	60	60	60
Tongue, corned, - Ham Ngan Li	60	—	—
Head, - Ngan Tse each 1.00	1.00	1.50	—
" Heart, - Ngan Sam ... lb.	18	12	14
" Pump, Salt, - Ngan Kin ... lb.	20	20	18
" Head, - Ngan Kook each 18	18	10	12
" Kidney, - Ngan Yin ... lb.	12	10	12
" Liver, - Ngan Mei ... lb.	20	20	22
" Liver, - Ngan Koon ... lb.	18	13	14
" Tripe (unwashed), Ngan To lb.	6	6	7
Olives, Head and Feet, - Ngan Tse	1.00	1.00	—
Butter, - Young Fat Kwai ... set	42	28	25
Mutton Chop, - Young Fat Kwai lb.	42	28	25
" Leg, - Young Fat	42	28	25
" Shoulder, - Young Shaw ... lb.	47	24	24
" Saddle, - Young On Yuk ... lb.	40	18	—
Pig's Chilling, - Chiu Chiu ... lb.	35	25	27
Brains, - Chiu Chiu ... per set	3	3	3
Feet, - Chiu Kook ... lb.	18	15	—
" Head, - Chiu Chiu	30	10	10
" Head, - Chiu Tse	34	20	10
" Heart, - Chiu Sam ... each 18	18	10	8
" Kidney, - Chiu Yin ... each 12	12	10	8
" Liver, - Chiu Koa ... lb.	43	30	24
Pork Chop, - Chu Pal Kwai ... lb.	38	25	23
" Leg, - Chu Pal	32	23	27
" Fat, - Chiu Hau Tsin ... lb.	18	—	—
" Loin or Lard, - Chu Yau ... lb.	22	21	—
Sheep's Head and Feet, - Young	60	60	70
" Head, - Young Sam ... set	10	10	10
" Heart, - Young Sam ... lb.	15	10	10
" Kidney, - Young Yin each 18	18	10	10
" Liver, - Young Koon ... lb.	40	28	25
Smoking Pipe, to order, - Chu Tai ...	25	25	25
Suet, Beef, - Shang Ngan Yek ... lb.	30	20	18
Mutton, - Shang Young Yau ... lb.	42	28	24
Veal, - Ngan Tai Yuk	34	30	18
Sausages, - Ngan Tai Cheung ... lb.	30	30	20
" Head, - Ngan Li	60	60	60

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CHEFOO NOTES.
PRETTY CUSTOMS WEDDING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHEFOO, March 25.
St. Andrew's Church was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday, March 15, when Mr. Sydney Kitson, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, was married to Madame Karolina Alnberg, a young widow from Shanghai. After the wedding, which was performed by the Rev. C. R. Burnett, of Wei-hai-wei, a reception was held at the Customs Club, where Mr. A. J. Whitmore, the best man, toasted the bride and bridegroom. At the ceremony were a large number of the Customs' Staff as well as other friends. Mr. A. E. Clayton gave away the bride; the Misses Weinglass acted as bridesmaids, while little Miss Yolande Bartolini made a very pretty train-bearer.

Unfortunately on Saturday, March 15, the Chefoo Football Club were unable to turn out a team to play the C.I.M. Boys' School. The School however managed to arrange for a game against a team turned out by the Chinese Staff of Messrs. James McMullan and Co., Ltd. The Chinese played a fine game, and scored the first goal from a really brilliant piece of play. The boys then got together better and soon evened up the score. After half-time the Chinese players, owing to lack of sufficient practice, showed signs of weakening, and the School soon increased its lead, the final score being School, 4 goals, the Chinese team, 1. The game was thoroughly enjoyed by both players and onlookers, the Chinese team playing a real sporting game right to the end.

A paper hunt took place on Sunday, March 16, when owing to the excellent course laid by Mr. Villers, and the lovely weather, all present voted it the best yet held. Mr. Swaney was the first home, followed by Mr. Donald and Miss Sugden, who fought hard for second place. Mr. Donald eventually gained that position.

On the evening of St. Patrick's Day the Customs Club held a Fancy Dress Dance, which a large number of the community attended. Prizes were awarded for the best costumes, the ladies' prize going to Countess O'Kelly, while Mr. V. R. Eckford won the one for the gentlemen.

The Chefoo Volunteer Fire Brigade has recently been reorganised, and on Saturday afternoon, March 22, the members held their first practice parade, under the direction of their Captain, Mr. A. R. Hogg. Both the foreign officers and the Chinese firemen turned out well, and an interesting display took place before a large number of spectators.

Bright sunshine tempered the coldish wind on Sunday afternoon, March 23, and thus made the paper hunt very pleasant. Mr. Swaney, as last week's winner, laid the course; and after an interesting and enjoyable ride it looked as if Miss E. Sugden was going to be a fairly easy winner. Her horse however swerved right off the last jump and lost Miss Sugden the privilege of laying the next hunt. Mr. Hogg now led the field, and came in first, while Messrs. Villers and Donald were second and third respectively. Miss Sugden, who is a first-class horse-woman, as she proved when she won the Championships in our autumn gymkhana, has suffered from a series of slight mishaps in the hunts so far, but we wish her better luck in the remaining hunts.

On Monday evening, March 24, Mr. J. N. Duncan, M.A., gave an interesting and instructive lecture on "The Trojan War" at the C.I.M. Boys' School where many of the scholars from the Boys and Girls Schools and friends were present.

"PARTED CURTAINS."
ABSORBING CORONET PICTURE.

Human interest is the keynote of the Coronet Theatre's feature attraction, this evening—human interest with romance, humor, pathos and adventure, skilfully admixed. "Parted Curtains" comes from the Warner Brothers studio and that fact alone bespeaks its quality. With the acting in the hands of a cast, led by Henry B. Walthall and Mary Alden, little further warranty is required, except to mention that the story is most engrossing. Indeed it might have delighted that supreme master O. Henry, for it has all the appeal and glamour of real life. To tell it in detail here would be to anticipate the pleasure of hundreds who will see it during the next few days, but mention may be made that the central figure is a young man who has served seven years' jail to shield a friend and is now striving to start life anew. Dramatic events follow his attempt to hold up a wealthy artist with a toy pistol after hunger has reduced him to desperation, and the romance which then begins is one of love, treachery and sacrifice, with here a dash of humor and there a spice of excitement. Everything comes right, of course, and the spectator's enjoyment of an absorbing story is thus neatly capped. "Parted Curtains" is a picture that is bound to have a wide appeal owing to its many sterling qualities.

BONNIEST BABY.
NOVEL WEMBLEY STUNT.

In connection with the forthcoming British Empire Exhibition at Wembley, the National Baby Week Council are holding an Imperial Baby Week during the fourth week in July at the Exhibition and a feature of the "stunt" is to be an "Empire's Bonniest Baby" Competition which is open to children born of British subjects throughout the Empire. The competition is to be conducted by means of photograph accompanied by a Score Sheet on which will appear details regarding the child's physical condition and which is to be signed by a doctor.

Prizes will be awarded by a special committee of judges. As far as possible the organization of sub-competitions is proceeding in the Dominions but where no such arrangement has been made entries should be forwarded direct to the National Baby Week Council, 117, Piccadilly, W. 1, London. Hongkong parents should note that entries from overseas must reach Home by June 25 next.

MALE VOICE CHOIR.

ANOTHER SUCCESS LAST NIGHT.

The Hongkong Male-Voice Choir directed by Mr. S. Collett scored another success at the Helena May Institute last evening. Proceeds of the concert should greatly benefit the Fresh Air Fund. On a well selected programme the numbers which proved most popular were the part songs "Serenade" (Busse), "O Peaceful Night" (German), "In Absence" (Dudley Buck), and the lighter pieces, "Beleaguered" (Sullivan), "Rolling down to Rio" (German), and the "Song of the Jolly Rodger" (Chudleigh Candish).

Several individual items added to the evening's enjoyment. Mrs. Douglas Reid's selections "Who is Sylvia" and "At the Window" were particularly good. Mr. W. C. Abrams was to have contributed two violin solos, but he was unfortunately indisposed and in hospital. Mr. W. Gill with the monologue "The Saint and the Sinner," and Mr. and Mrs. Collett, in a little duet from Tom Jones, proved excellent substitutes.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.
HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In addition to the quotations given on page 11 as usual, the following should be noted—
Hongkong Stock Exchange—
Ropes' ex rights ex bonus \$2 1/2 nominal, rights \$3 prem. buy.
Bonus shares \$2 1/2 nominal.
Cements Combined including \$1 paid \$3 1/2 sellers.
Hongkong Developments \$1 1/4 buyers.
China Buses \$10 1/4 buyers.
Hongkong Sharebrokers' Assn.—
Hongkong Developments \$1.20 nominal.

NAM PAK HONG MARKETS.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations for "spot" goods, based on usual guild terms, were as follows:—
Java sugar, average quality, per picul net—No. 24 rough white \$13.80, No. 24 fine white \$14.70, No. 18 rough brown \$12.70, Java brown \$12.20.
Rice, average quality, per picul gross for net—No. 1 Siam long white \$9.20, No. 1 Saigon long white \$7.70.
Flour, per sack of 50 lbs.—
Sperdy's XXX \$3.48, White Greens \$2.58, Nutmeg Orange \$2.63, King-fisher \$2.82, Maize \$2.50, Big Gun \$2.75, Globe 2.50, Old Mill \$2.50, Reindeer \$2.55, Melon \$2.55, White Rose \$2.50, Dayton \$2.55, Banana \$2.50, Kwun Tao \$2.48.

ITALY AND RUSSIA.
TRIESTE, April 8.
Resumption of maritime commercial relations with South Russia was officially inaugurated by the departure of a Lloyd Triestino steamer for Odessa.—*Reuter.*

The wedding was solemnised at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, and later at H. B. M. Consulate General, on April 3, of Miss Helen Margaret Benson, daughter of Mr. C. Benson, of Lyme Regis, Dorset, and Dr. W. B. A. Moore, of the Medical Department, Hongkong. Civil Service, the ceremony being conducted by the Rev. T. W. Hall and the Very Rev. Dean Symons.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

EX-ACTIVE SERVICE MEN'S ASSOCIATION.
(1914-1918)

MEMBERS are reminded that the usual Quarterly General Meeting will be held at the Club Rooms, No. 17, Queen's Road Central at 6 p.m., on Thursday, April 10th, 1924. A full attendance is requested.

H. J. TIMPERLEY
Act. Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

NOTICE.

I, the undersigned, C. L. CHUNG, have resigned from the services of Messrs. Universal Pictures Corporation of New York, (Hongkong Branch) and will start my own business with Mr. J. M. SHROFF at 24 Ice House Street, C. L. CHUNG (signed).
Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

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TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that scrip No. 427 for 500 shares Ewo Cotton Mills Ltd. in the name of Mr. EZRA ABRAHAM of Hongkong together with a duly executed transfer deed purporting to assign the said shares has been lost. The said shares are the property of the undersigned and application has been duly made to the Company for the issue of a duplicate scrip. The public is therefore warned against dealing with the said shares without reference to the undersigned. Any person having any knowledge as to the whereabouts of the said scrip is asked to communicate with the undersigned.
Messrs. ELLIS & CO.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.
PARTICULARS AND Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 14th day of April, 1924, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Kennedy Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

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Mr. P. J. Green, chief officer, "Fongtien", has gone chief officer, "Tehang".
Mr. E. L. Hurley, chief officer, "Szechuen", is on reserve.
Mr. R. Warren, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Szechuen".
Mr. Rybaltovsky, second officer, "Wangang", is on reserve.
Mr. D. R. McAlpine, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Wangang".
Mr. R. Frost, chief officer, "Kowloon", has gone chief officer, "Wangang".
Mr. J. H. Davey, chief officer, "Pahwa", has gone chief officer, "Kowloon".
Mr. H. F. Edmondson has been appointed second officer, "Kowloon".
Mr. J. R. Young, sup's second officer, "Kowloon", has resigned.
Mr. J. Pittendrigh, from reserve, has gone sup's second officer, "Pahwa".
Mr. T. Wilkinson, sup's second officer, "Pahwa", has gone second officer, "Pahwa".
Mr. W. P. McAlpine, second officer, "Pahwa", is on reserve.
Mr. H. Taylor, second officer, "Pahwa", is on reserve.
Mr. K. H. Stewart, has been appointed second officer, "Pahwa".
Mr. V. Richardson, sup's second officer, "Wangang", has gone third officer, "Wangang".
Mr. F. Dunstan, second officer, "Wangang", has gone sup's third officer, "Pahwa".
Mr. W. J. Hamilton, third officer, "Pahwa", has gone second officer, "Wangang".
Mr. R. C. Barlow has been appointed third officer, "Kowloon".

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SHIPYARD LOCKOUT.

LONDON, April 8.

Very slight hope of averting a shipyard lockout is contained in the decision of the Unions to take a ballot of strikers to-day, asking specifically whether they are prepared to accept executive authority, whereafter steps will be taken to enforce the authority of the Unions.—*Reuter*.

Mr. J. S. Dennison, third engineer, "Kingsang", has resigned.
Mr. A. McN. Marshall, third engineer, "Wingang", has gone second engineer, same ship.
Mr. A. McN. second engineer, "Wingang", has gone sup's second engineer, "Tuckwo".
Mr. J. A. Thom, third engineer, "Tuckwo", has gone third engineer, "Wingang".
Mr. G. Porterfield, second engineer, "Kingsang", has gone second engineer, "Fongtien".
Mr. J. W. Taverick, second engineer, "Fongtien", is on leave.
Mr. M. L. Brodie, from reserve, gone chief officer, "Yue Ying Wan".
Mr. J. W. Parry, chief officer, "Yue Ying Wan", is on reserve.
Mr. A. W. Best, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Tuckwo".
Mr. P. H. Goring, chief officer, "Tuckwo", has gone master, "Charles Hamilton".
Mr. J. Webster, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Tahoe".
Mr. H. M. Rogers, chief officer, "Tahoe", is on reserve.
Captain J. J. Tossin, of the "Kwong Yung", has gone master, "Chung On".
Mr. W. J. Prendergast, chief officer, "Kwong Yung", has gone chief officer, "Chung On".
Mr. G. Williams, chief officer, "Kwong Yung", has gone acting master, same ship.
Mr. T. Owens, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Kwong Yung".
Mr. A. Taylor, from reserve, has gone third officer, "Tahoe Wan".
Captain G. Jones, of the "Ah Kwang", has gone master, "Asiatika".
Captain A. W. Sawyer, of the "Asiatika", has gone master, "Ah Kwang".
—(Shipping & Engineering.)

COLONY'S HEALTH.

SANITARY BOARD'S WEEKLY MEETING.

At the weekly meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Mr. N. L. Smith, a motion was submitted by D. W. V. M. Koch emphasizing the need of further health districts.

Dr. Koch's resolution was: "In view of the rapid increase of Urban areas in districts which were formerly Rural, this Board is of opinion that further Health Districts are necessary, and the present ones rearranged with the provision of additional staff."

Supporting his motion, the doctor said that when a city became overcrowded, new areas had to be taken in. New lots had been sold for building purposes close to the confines of the city. These lots were outside the Board's practical sanitary control. The object of the motion was to regularise the matter and put these outside areas under the same control as the city itself. He agreed that if the sanitary areas were rearranged a larger staff would be required, and he thought the Board would be justified in asking for additional men, particularly another Assistant Medical Officer of Health.

In seconding, Mr. C. G. Alabaster said he would like to see the whole of the Colony divided into health districts. The activities of the Department ought not to be confined to a few crowded districts.

The Chairman replied that the Department could not accept the motion exactly as it stood. If they did it would be an accusation that they were not keeping pace with the needs of the Colony, and a reflection upon the Board's activities of the past. It seemed to him that as a general rule the Board had confined themselves to European style houses. A good example was Aberdeen, where they had side by side the ordinary village house, with which the Board had not previously interfered, and large tenements of the urban style. When such houses were put up in any numbers, there was no doubt the Board must take action.

Mr. Smith submitted that they were keeping pace with the spread of the city. In 1915 there were 30 inspectors; in 1920, 33, and the number had increased year by year until now there were 40.
Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health) said that when he first came to the Colony there were only two health districts in Kowloon as compared with six now, and in Hongkong there were 10, whereas there were 11 now, and with Shaikwan and Aberdeen the number would be increased to 13. That made 19 inspectors as compared with 12 some 15 or 16 years ago.

Dr. Koch withdrew his resolution adding that he was sorry the Chairman should think it reflected on the Department. It was not his intention to do any such thing, but rather to increase the efficiency of the Department. The population had increased out of all proportion to the increase in the number of inspectors, and he certainly thought that not only did they require a larger staff of sanitary inspectors, but a third assistant medical officer as well.

Dr. Koch then asked:—(1) "What steps are taken for the inspection of meat sold in markets in Rural areas—as in Aberdeen and Shaikwan?" (2) Are the Sanitary Inspectors in such districts qualified meat inspectors?"

The Chairman replied, in regard to the first question that the same procedure of inspection was adopted at the markets mentioned as at other markets, and periodical inspections were held there as elsewhere. The answer to the second question he said, was in the negative. At Aberdeen the present rural inspector had no qualifications as a meat inspector whatever. The certificates granted to inspectors of Nuisances, such as were held by all inspectors, asked for a knowledge of the inspection of slaughter-houses, a knowledge of good and bad food and the inspection of food.

CHINA'S FINANCES.

LONDON, April 8.

Liang Shi-yl, in a *Reuter* interview dealing with Chinese Finance, said that foreign capital was welcome, but only on conditions which must benefit both parties, and not be one-sided. He was of opinion that preference should be given to Chinese products, but did not object to the employment of suitable labour from abroad.
He advocated that the Government should build the railways, and the people provide the rolling stock and locomotives. Thus, even with its present capital, the Government could construct twice the present length of line, and save time.
Mr. Liang will be banquipped by the Legation and Chinese students, and is to stay six weeks in England. He will then tour the Continent, returning home via America.—*Reuter*.

REPARATIONS.

EXPERTS' REPORTS FORECASTED.

Paris, April 8.

The first report of the experts on Reparations, to be published tomorrow, is a huge document of sixty pages. According to forecast it proposes that Germany should immediately pay 10 milliard gold marks, also annual payments of between a minimum of 1,400 millions and a maximum of 2,000 millions of gold marks.

Alternatively she will pay one milliard of gold marks the first year, 1,200 millions the second and third years, 1,750 millions the fourth year, 2,400 millions the fifth year, and onwards.

After the sixth year the Reparations Commission demand supplementary payments, calculated on the basis of Germany's prosperity, possibly amounting to several hundred millions of gold marks.

The German railways are to be handed over for 50 years to an international company, with a capital of twenty-six milliards of gold marks, of which the Reparation Commission will hold eleven milliards of 6% debentures, giving an annual yield of 660 millions of gold marks after the fourth year.

Without entering into the question of the military occupation of the Ruhr, the experts think that Germany's economic restoration can be lasting, only if her economic unity is fully re-established; and they suggest a permanent committee of five experts, with a President nominated by the Reparation Commission to regulate the movement of German capital, and to administer the capital left temporarily in Germany.—*Reuter*.

EMPIRE'S SHIPPING.

LONDON, April 8.

Lloyd's Returns show the following particulars of ship-building for the past quarter: Under construction in the United Kingdom, 1,473,000 tons, an increase of 78,000 tons compared with the previous quarter and a decrease of 19,000 tons compared with the first quarter of 1923.

The total includes 131,000 tons upon which work has been suspended.

The tonnage launched during the past quarter totaled 361,000, compared with 114,000 for the previous quarter.

The total tonnage building abroad was 1,042,000 tons, including 118,000 upon which work has been suspended. Germany and Danzig head the list with 299,000 tons.

The tonnage launched abroad was 188,000.—*Reuter*.

GOLF.

On Saturday last, while the Boat Race was being decided on the Thames, teams representing the Universities played their annual golf match at Farningham. Although the Light Blues were successful on the river, their Hongkong golfers did not take advantage of the inspiration as Oxford won both the singles and the foursomes. Results in detail were:—

SINGLES.	
Oxford.	
J. E. Warner	0
N. L. Smith	12
R. H. L. Gompertz	0
D. W. Tristram	1
R. E. O. Bird	1
A. E. Wood	12

Cambridge.	
E. Davidson	1
F. Syme Thomson	0
C. B. Shann	1
H. P. Winslow	0
E. D. C. Wolfe	0
E. W. Hamilton	0

FOURSOMES.	
Oxford.	
Warner and Smith	1
Gompertz and Tristram	0
Bird and Wood	1

Cambridge.	
Davidson and Syme Thomson	0
Shann and Winslow	12
Wolf and Hamilton	1

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The Captain's Cup competition played on April 5 was won by Mr. J. L. Dowrick, 90-16-74, who qualified for the Captain's Cup, and wins the silver button, and pool.

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer or godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after 13th April, 1924, will be subject to rent.

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A Reuter cable from Helsingfors states that it is officially announced Trotsky has recovered from his illness and returns to Moscow in the next few days to resume his duties as War Commissary and President of the Revolutionary Council.



Mrs. Anton Bergers.

Mrs. Anton Bergers, 75 years old, was tortured to death by a burglar in her home, in an effort to make her reveal the hiding place of her money. The murderer got only £1.



The above photograph, taken immediately after an explosion which killed thirty miners, shows the smoke of the blast pouring from the shaft of the Crerar-Clinch coal mine at Johnston City. Many other miners had narrow escapes.



Georges Clemenceau.

"Tiger" Georges Clemenceau, France's War Premier, has denied emphatically the reported assertion of Mr. Lloyd George that President Wilson and Clemenceau signed a secret treaty giving France the right to occupy Germany with troops.



Archbishop Panteleimon Athanassiades.

Archbishop Panteleimon Athanassiades, representative of the Patriarch of the Mother Church of Christendom at Jerusalem, is pleading for aid for Greece and for the preservation of ancient Greek shrines.



Ex-Duke August Ernst.

Above is the latest photograph of ex-Duke August Ernst of Brunswick, Germany, royal prince of Great Britain and Ireland, youngest son of the late Duke of Cumberland and son-in-law of the former German Kaiser. He married Princess Victoria Louise of Prussia. The couple, who have five children, have settled in Munich, Bavaria, where the ex-Duke has just built a palatial mansion.

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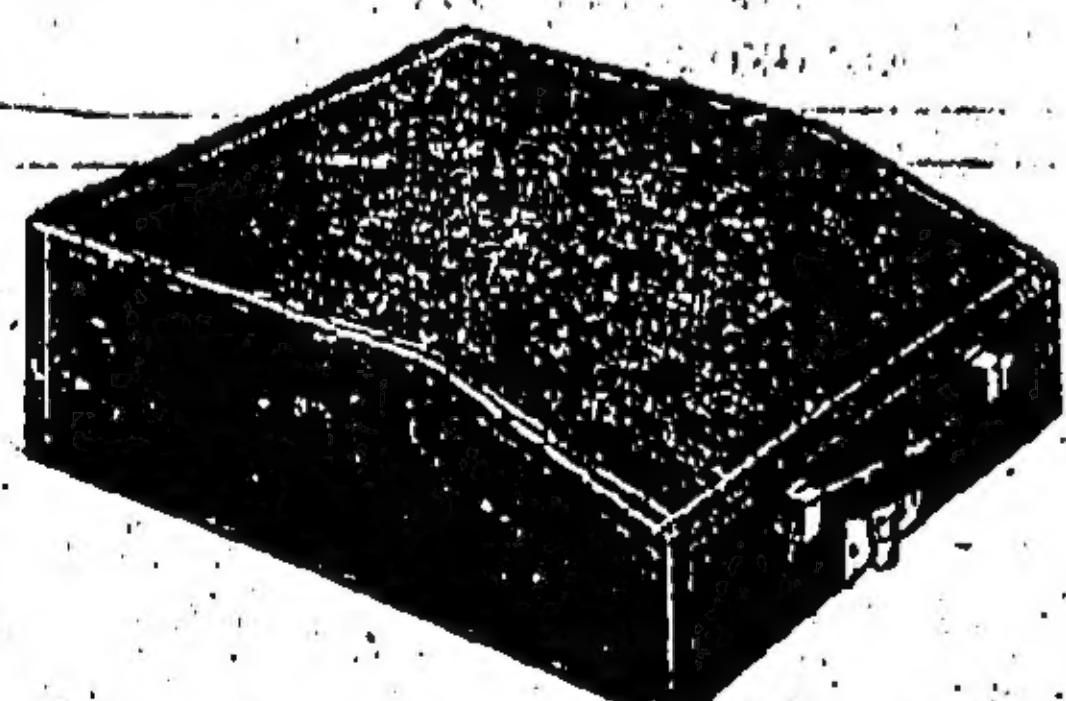
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